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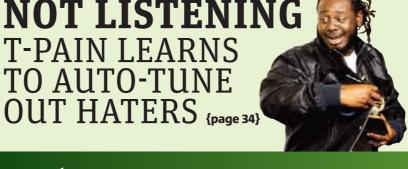
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Man guilty in bar crash

• Jeffrey Leinen admitted in court he was driving truck, but pleaded not guilty to second-degree murder charge

A young man who angrily rammed his truck into a crowd of people outside a bar in Olds has been convicted of second-degree murder and aggravated assault by a Calgary jury.

The Crown had contended Jeffrey Leinen was fully aware of what he was doing when ran over and killed Nicholas Baier, 18, and injured another man in October

Witnesses testified Leinen had been kicked out of the bar for fight-

Baier, a student at Olds College, was standing outside with friends when the pickup truck slammed into them.

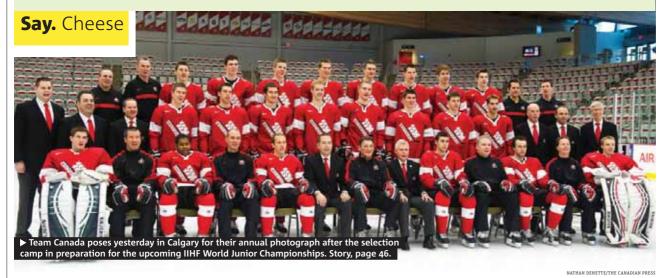
Leinen, 25, of Calgary, was arrested a short distance from the bar after his truck crashed.

Defence lawyer Andre Ouellette had argued his client panicked and said there was no proof he planned to hurt anybody.

"I would suggest you need to acquit my client. The Crown cannot prove any intention beyond a reasonable doubt."

But prosecutor Roy Smith told the seven-man, five-woman jury it was "clearly an intentional act and that, ladies and gentlemen, is murder.'

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All smiles as Team Canada poses for group photo

Voyager's journey goes sour

• Passenger says he was a victim of racial profiling at the airport {page 3}

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Airport security engaged in racist practices: Passenger

O South Sudan native was on his way back for wedding O Officials says proper procedures followed



A journey home to marry his betrothed and bring her to Canada quickly turned to horror for a Calgary man who claims he was the victim of racial profiling.

Dhieu Dok was scheduled to fly out of Calgary International Airport at about 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday to Amsterdam and eventually on to South Sudan.

Dok, 30, says he arrived at the airport two hours before the flight and asked where he could fill out forms notifying customs that he was carrying more than \$10,000 — funds he says were necessary for the

wedding.

But Dok says officers with the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority (CATSA) misinformed border officials that he was attempting to "run" with the money. He was detained and questioned.

"There are a lot of young guys in my country with a lot of money," he said. "How do they get that money? From crime. But I am an accountant with an oil and gas company."

A CATSA spokesperson said yesterday that staff were following proper procedures.

"When a passenger is

In the air

- After numerous inquiries, Dhieu Dok was able to work out a deal with his airline to reinstate a roughly \$1,700 ticket purchased for his original flight on Tuesday. He paid a nominal processing fee and is scheduled to fly out today.
- A statement yesterday from Canada Border Services Agency says proper procedures were followed in its dealings with Dok.
- ➤ The CBSA also reminded passengers travelling abroad with large sums of money to arrive at the airport extra-early to allow for processing.

travelling internationally with large sums of money, it is standard procedure to tell our (border services) colleagues, which we did," Matt Larocque said. "The passenger was not profiled or discriminated against."

Dok missed his flight and said he felt humiliated while being questioned and then "paraded" past fellow passengers to an office.

"I hope that by speaking out it stops this from happening to other people," he said. "This has caused me and my wife a great deal of stress."







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Murder charge laid after brawl

Police have laid a second-degree murder charge after an apparent brawl at a known drug house in northeast Cal-

On Nov. 30, 47-yearold Norman Williams Andrews, was killed in an altercation inside or near a house in the 3700 block of Kilkenny Road Southwest.

Police arrested Jeffrey William Langdon, 42, Tuesday night and have charged him with second-degree murder in the incident.

A warrant has also been issued for 42-yearold Michelle Lee Adams, wanted on a charge of aggravated assault in connection with the altercation.

The individuals are believed to have been inside a home with long connections to drug use and other criminal activities, according to both neighbours and city officials.

Land sales net bonus billions

Total revenue collected in Alberta land sales for the calendar climbed to a record \$3.54 billion, the province said yesterday.

Revenue for the province's final petroleum and natural-gas mineral leases and licences sale

was \$145.621.531, the province said.

"Land sales illustrate that Alberta continues to be competitive in attracting new investment which benefits all Albertans," said Energy Minster Ted Morton.

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Coach admits one sex charge

A teacher and minor hockev coach in Alberta has admitted one of the sex charges against him.

Robert John Paolinelli, 41, pleaded guilty to sexual exploitation in Stony Plain provincial court.

Mounties say the charge stems from an incident when he was in a position of trust.

But it's not known if it involves a student or a hockey player.

He's scheduled to be sentenced Dec. 21. The court on that date will also deal with his other charges, including sexual assault and forcible confinement.

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Kids and cops partner for a shopping spree

The 6th-annual CopShop For Kids took place yesterday at Marlborough Mall • Each student was given a \$200 gift card donated by the mall



When Grade 9 student Megan Tiedemann was told she was chosen for a free shopping spree, she said her first thought was: "Why did I get picked?"

Tiedmann, alongside 26 other junior high students, was selected for CopShop For Kids based on outstanding contributions to the community.

Fellow student Kaitlyn Pickering said she, too, was surprised to be select-

But she was excited to have the opportunity to buy Christmas presents for her family.

"I just felt really happy," she said.

Cst. Sandi Beck, Tiedmann's shopping partner, said the event is not only rewarding for the kids but for the police officers as

As a school-resource officer, Beck said she often deals with tough situations involving students.

"They kids are so positive. This is so nice for us, not just them. It's nice for us to see the positive side of things."

Cst. Carlamay Blight, also a school resource officer, said the kids receive the gift cards to treat



themselves.

But often they use the money for family members, Blight said. "This is amazing for the kids," she

"They have \$200 to spend for them and they spend it on other people.'

They deserved it

- Students were chosen for CopShop For Kids at Marlborough Mall based on a number of factors.
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Fire crews find snake under sink

O Unclear how snake entered apartment building ○ Resident went to get something from under kitchen sink and was surprised



Four firefighters found more than cleaning supplies and paper towel under a kitchen sink in a southwest apartment yesterday.

Around 1:30 p.m., the Calgary Fire Department received a report of a snake in an apartment in the 100 block of 25 Avenue Southwest.

"My understanding was the person was waiting in the hallway when we got there," said fire department spokesperson Brian McAsey.

After wrangling the three-foot rainbow boa into a cardboard box, fire-fighters returned to their station and then transport-

Boa constrictor

- In August, firefighters were called to a Ranchlands home where an eight-foot-long boa constrictor had turned on the taps in the bathtub of a seemingly vacant apartment.
- The snake, named Herc, was left in the bathtub for a few hours while her owner was in the process of moving.
- Firefighters transported Herc to a vet clinic but she was picked up only a few hours later by her owner.

ed the animal to the Calgary Humane Society.

The snake, tenant and firefighters were all uninjured.



Gary Mar moving on and starting fresh in Hong Kong

Two months after seeing his dream of becoming Alberta premier implode, Gary Mar says he's moved on.

Mar, 49, says he's focused on heading to Hong Kong by the start of the new year to begin work as Alberta's trade envoy.

"I'm not interested in talking about the leadership race," Mar said yesterday in his first public comments since his Oct. 2 loss to Alison Redford on the second ballot of the Tory party vote.

It was a bitter defeat for Mar. He was a former health minister and was serving as Alberta's envoy in Washington last spring when he quit to run in the race to replace former premier Ed Stelmach.



"We as Albertans are not the first to recognize the importance of this marketplace."

He will oversee all six trade offices in Asia — three of them in China — and coordinate how to boost Alberta exports to, and investment opportunities in, this competitive region.

"Other jurisdictions, other countries, other states, are also interested in working in this area, which emphasizes the need to have a strong and co-ordinated approach to Asia-Pacific."

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Chair eyes seat

Police board head Mike Shaikh wants to be a senator • Law-enforcement efficiencies a focus of campaign



One of Calgary's biggest police proponents is hoping to have a voice on the federal level.

Mike Shaikh, chair of the Calgary Police Commission, plans to formally announce his plans to seek a Senate spot this afternoon.

"We can reduce the crime through early intervention and efficiency," he said yesterday. "For example, why should it take four hours for a DUI to be processed.... I am not saying

Police commission chair Mike Shaikh is the sixth individual to express interest in running for a senatorial appointment.

throw all your money at me for crime prevention, but let's simply cut the red

The nomination period for Alberta senatorial candidates will close Jan. 9 and the formal campaign will coincide with the upcoming provincial campaign to be held sometime between March and May.

The results of the race will see three candidates appointed as senators-inwaiting. At that time, Shaikh says he will consider taking a leave of absence from the police commission.

He would then outright resign if Prime Minister Stephen Harper tapped him to join the Senate.

If appointed, Shaikh, a chartered accountant, said he hopes to bring financial "common sense" to Ot-

Wheels in motion for bike lane to campus

KATIE TURNER
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Cycling students will have an additional route to Mount Royal University with the introduction of what one alderman has dubbed a "freebie" bike lane on 50 Avenue.

When Ald. Brian Pincott was approached more than two years ago about redeveloping an ATCO site near the university campus, he said he requested a bike lane be incorporated into

This lane will stretch from the 50 Avenue over-

Cycling strategy

- The city recently approved the cycling strategy for the 2012-2014 business cycle.
- The strategy contains 50 actions for the city to undertake from designing routes to building infrastructure.
- Roadwork is expected to begin in the Mount Royal area beginning next sprina.

pass over Crowchild Trail to the campus and will eventually stretch further east and connect to the regional pathway system at Riverpark.

"All of those kinds of things are seeing opportunities of redevelopment that's happening on the site and going, can we get a bike lane in as part of it?" said Pincott.

MRU student and cyclist Ioe Shackleton said any additional bike infrastructure is helpful encouraging more bike riding.

"It's just one other thing that will help students get to school," he said.

Charitable Alberta is

An online charity says it's hard to beat Ontario and Alberta when it comes to giving. CanadaHelps.org, which helps various Canadian charities, says Toronto is the country's most charitable city followed by Calgary and Edmonton.

Öttawa and Vancouver round out the top five, but Montreal at sixth gets kudos since it saw a 200 per cent increase over last year.

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Record donation hard to beat for hospital

Representatives with the Alberta Children's Hospital were filled with holiday cheer yesterday after receiving their biggest donation for cancer care.

Trican Well Service donated \$5 million to be directed towards two research areas the hospital has been nationally recognized for: transplation of blood and marrow, as well as novel therapies.

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Grease fire injures woman

Emergency crews transported a 21-year-old to hospital yesterday evening after she suffered burns to her arms and legs from a grease fire.

The woman was inside a home in the 100 block of Rundleson Place Northeast at the time.

The fire department is reminding people who cook to avoid pouring water on a grease fire.

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managers went on a wild, taxpayer-funded shopping spree, new documents show. A bureaucrat in the Northwest Territories charged tens of thousands of dollars to government credit cards.

When the misbehaving manager got caught two and a half years into her splurge, she was nearly \$40,000 in the hole.

"Her actions were not impulsive and/or compulsive. They have been found to be premeditated," says a briefing note to top officials.

'She took steps to cover up what she had taken as personal expenses. She crossed out her personal expenses from bills presented for signature to the director. She also stated to a security staff member that she 'knew she'd

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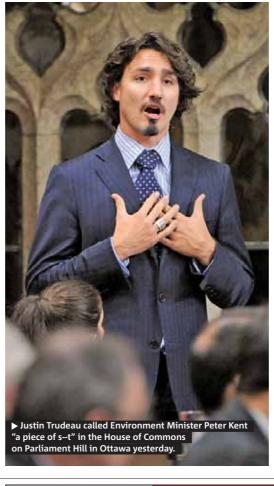
- \$4,000 on an online game called Second Life.
- A trip to Las Vegas in February 2010, where the woman and her husband spent five nights at the Circus Circus hotel and casino at a cost of \$2,000.
- Purchases at Walmart. Northern Fancy Meats and Staples.
- Almost \$100 for pizza.
- Cellphone and cable bills.
- On the long list of expenses, only a \$27 book on how to use PowerPoint was for work.

get caught, she just didn't think it would take them this long.'

The woman worked as a manager in the Indian and Inuit Services Directorate in Yellowknife.

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Shopping, e-games: Your taxes at work The Aboriginal Affairs Department called in an auditor after one of its The Aboriginal Affairs Department called in an auditor after one of its Trudeau apologizes after swearing at Kent



Unparliamentary language causes uproar in Commons

His father claimed to have only mouthed "fuddle duddle" during a heated Commons exchange, but a colourful outburst by Justin Trudeau during question period is leaving no room for confusion.

The Liberal MP was heard quite clearly to have called Environment Minister Peter Kent a "piece of s--t," causing a momentary uproar in the House yester-

Kent had just finished telling his NDP critic Megan Leslie that she was ill-informed about a recent climate-change conference because she hadn't attended. But the government had prevented opposition MPs from being part of the official Canadian delega-

Following question period, Trudeau rose immediately to apologize.

"I lost my temper and used language that was most decidedly unparliamentary and for that I unreservedly apologize and withdraw my remarks," he said. Kent said he wasn't troubled by the language,

Expletive

- It has been a foulmouthed season on Parliament Hill.
- New Democrat MP Pat Martin recently used an expletive on Twitter when the government limited debate on its budget bill, and interim Liberal leader Bob Rae referred to "bulls-t" in response to a negative tweet by another Liberal

but asked that Trudeau apologize to the House of Commons. New Democrat Ryan Creary also got into trouble over language after he called a cabinet minister a "bully."

Speaker Andrew Scheer suggested he withdraw the comment, but he refused.

"The minister of fisheries and oceans asked a question, he asked this House whether he looked like a bully," Creary said.

"I merely answered his question. I would answer his question the same way if he asked it again."

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Belgians grieve after bloodbath

• Government pledges to toughen gun law, put stricter controls on multiple offenders on conditional release

A card at a memorial to the victims asked the question haunting all of Belgium: "Why?"

Why did Nordine Amrani, a 33-year-old with a history of lawbreaking, sweep into this city's holiday shopping centre to unleash a grenade-and-gun rampage that killed three people and wounded 123 others? Why did he then kill himself?

Deepening the mystery, police announced yesterday that another body had been found, that of a 45-year-old woman, in a shed where Amrani grew cannabis close to his home.

Liege prosecutor

"We are all Liegeois, united in suffering.... This was an act of a sick man."

ADELIE MIGUEL, 48, WHO PLACED A
BOUQUET OF WHITE TULIPS
AGAINST THE SHATTERED BUS STOP

Daniele Reynders said, after searches of Amrani's house, terrorism could be excluded.

"It was a cleaning lady. This is how she met him yesterday morning," she said. "She dies, shot with a bullet in the head."

The Ferris Wheel at Liege's Christmas market started turning again yesterday, hoping to restore some festive cheer, but the mood remained black as the coal that once drove this rust-belt city in eastern Belgium.

"The crowds won't show up," said Francoise Robert, a vendor selling miniature castles and Christmas items. "People are scared."

The victims included a one-year-old toddler and two teenage boys, both students.

Five others are reported in critical condition.

Beyond the dead and injured, Reynders said 40 other people had to be treated for psychological trauma. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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One in four women abused in U.S.

One in four U.S. women say they have been hit hard, kicked or otherwise violently attacked by their intimate partners, according to a government survey released yesterday that offers startling findings about domestic violence.

The new national look at how many women say they've been abused offers some numbers that are higher than previous reports. One expert called the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's report's estimate on rape and attempted rape "extremely high" — with one in five women saying they were victims. About half of those cases involved intimate partners. But advocates say rape has been vastly underreported in the past and the new numbers are plausible.

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Violence

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report is based on a randomized telephone survey of 9,000 women.

As many as 29 million women say they have suffered severe and frightening physical violence from a boyfriend, spouse or other intimate partner. That

- includes being choked, beaten, stabbed, shot, punched, slammed against something or hurt by hairpulling.
- That number grows to 36 million if slapping, pushing and shoving are also counted.
- Almost half of the women who reported rape or attempted rape said it happened when they were 17 or younger.





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Politician caught in donor scandal

○ U.S. anti-gay-marriage conservative impregnated at least three lesbian women through sperm donations

The secret online spermdonor account of a conservative, Christian, anti-gaymarriage politician has been closed, but the fallout continues from exposure of his double life.

Bill Johnson, a 2009 candidate for governor of Alabama in the United States, impregnated at least three lesbian women with his donated sperm in New Zealand and helped three more, the New Zealand Herald revealed after a lengthy investigation.

Johnson, confronted with the evidence, admitted to the newspaper his desire to father children is "a need I have."

Johnson has been married since 2004 to two-time Mrs. America finalist, Kathy Johnson. The couple have a website document-

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ing their careers and marriage. Kathy Johnson has three children from a previous marriage and had a hysterectomy 10 years ago, he told the newspaper.

"He knows I am shocked and deeply hurt and even angry. I didn't know about these women," Kathy Johnson told the newspaper. I wonder if they knew he has a wife back home who cherishes our marriage."

Johnson's account was cancelled on Friday but his correspondence remained on the site.

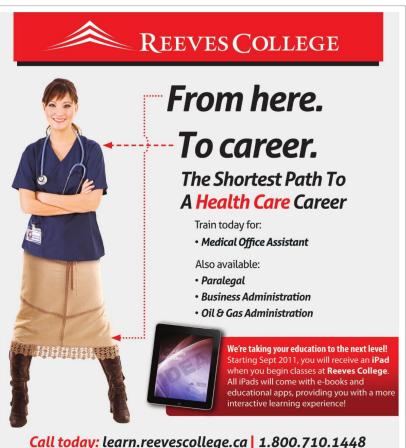
He told one lesbian couple, "I am in Christchurch and would be glad to try to help." To a young mother who wanted another child and "possible co-parenting," he asked: "Where are you located?"

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Double life

- The Herald talked to some of the women who received Johnson's donated sperm. One called him a "Godsend" because lesbian women often find it difficult to find sperm donors online.
- Johnson told the Herald the story would make it difficult for him to stay in New Zealand, where he works on earthquake repair as long-term recovery manager for Ceres NZ.
- He intended to support the women who delivered children he'd fathered and wanted to be involved in their upbringing, he told the Herald.





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Mayor charged in murder

A former small-town mayor, whose wife went missing nearly four years ago, was charged yesterday with murdering her.

An emotionless Paul Laplante stood before a judge near Montreal and was charged with first-degree murder in the death of his wife, Diane Gregoire.

Yesterday's court appearance came 47 months after Laplante reported Gregoire missing. Laplante, 54, has been ordered to remain in custody and is forbidden from talking to the couple's two adult children.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Booze kills at least 80 in India

A tainted batch of bootleg liquor killed at least 80 people and sent dozens more to the hospital in villages outside the eastern Indian city of Kolkata, officials said.

Day labourers and other poor workers began falling ill late Tuesday after drinking the brew that was laced with the toxic methanol. Police arrested four people in connection with making and distributing the toxic booze. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Priest charged in sex offences

News that a Roman Catholic priest has been charged in western Newfoundland with dozens of sex-related offences over two decades shook the church yesterday.

Rev. George Ansel Smith appeared in provincial court in connection with alleged incidents between 1969 and 1989. He faces 38 charges including several counts of sexual assault. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Students take stand against bullying

Thousands of students from Canada's largest and most diverse school board vowed yesterday to take a stand against bullying as educators grapple with what they consider a pervasive and potentially deadly problem.

Roughly 9,000 Torontoarea children from Grade 2 to Grade 8 packed into Ricoh Coliseum and publicly pledged to "make it better right now" for those targeted by bullies.

"It's a huge issue that impacts every school throughout the whole district," said Chris Spence, director of education for the Toronto District School Board, which serves more than 250,000 students.

The campaign follows a number of suicides by children and teens who were bullied. The deaths have brought the issue of bullying into the spotlight and the Ontario government has recently introduced anti-bullying legislation.

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Birds mistake land for water

crash Landing. Thousands of birds died on impact after apparently mistaking a Walmart parking lot and areas of southern Utah for bodies of water and plummeting to the ground in what one wildlife expert called the worst downing she's ever seen.

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Google works to end slavery

RECORD GRANT. Tech giant Google announced

yesterday it is donating \$11.5 million to several coalitions fighting to end the modern-day slavery of some 27 million people around the world.

It is believed to be the largest-ever corporate grant devoted to the advocacy, intervention and rescue of people being held, forced to work or provide sex against their will. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Freak accident kills woman

DEATH BY DRAGGING. A woman was killed in a freak elevator mishap yesterday around 10 a.m. in a 26-storey office tower near Grand Central Terminal. The woman was stepping onto the elevator on the first floor when either her foot or leg became caught in the closing doors. The car then rose abruptly, dragging her body into the shaft and killing her, officials said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police shave, arrest punks to teach lesson

▶ Muslim hardliners cut off mohawks of rock fans to enforce moral values ▶ Police crack down on 'disgusting' lifestyle

Police in Indonesia's most conservative province raided a punk-rock concert and detained dozens of fans, buzzing off their spiky mohawks and stripping away body piercings because of the perceived threat to Islamic values.

Dog-collar necklaces and chains were taken from the youths before they were thrown in pools of water for "spiritual" cleansing, local police Chief Iskandar Hasan said yesterday.

After replacing their "disgusting" clothes, he handed each a toothbrush and barked "use it."

The crackdown marked the latest effort by authorities to promote strict moral



values in Aceh, the only province in this secular but predominantly Muslim na-

tion of 240 million to have imposed Islamic laws.

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Police story

- Baton-wielding police scattered fans, many of whom had travelled from other parts of the sprawling archipelagic nation to attend the show.
- Police said 59 young men and five women were loaded into vans and brought to a police detention centre.
- ▶ They would spend 10 days getting rehabilitation, training in military-style discipline and religious classes, including Qur'an recitation, police officials said. Afterward, they'll be sent home.
- While the men's heads were shaved, the women, some in tears, were given short. blunt bobs.

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Shafia son ends day with hug request

◆ After testifying on behalf of parents accused of murdering sisters, youth asks judge permission to hug parents ◆ Crown accuses man of lying to officials

After a lengthy and withering cross-examination during which he was accused of conspiring with his family to fabricate alibis, a surviving son of a couple accused of killing three of their daughters finished his court testimony by asking for a hug.

The son of the Montreal couple, who are accused along with their other son of committing so-called honour killings, testified this week for the defence at the Shafia family murder trial and was subject to more than a full day of cross-examination.

Crown attorney Gerard Laarhuis suggested that the son, who can't be named due to a court order, has lied to and manipulated authority figures in the past and may not have been telling the truth on

the stand, saying his memory seems to be selectively improving to remember only details that help his parents and brother.

Tooba Yahya, 42, and her husband Mohammad Shafia, 58, are charged alongside their eldest son, Hamed, 20, with four counts of first-degree murder. They have each pleaded not guilty.

They're accused of killing Shafia sisters, Zainab, 19, Sahar, 17, and Geeti, 13, along with Rona Amir Mohammad, 52, Shafia's other wife in a polygamous marriage, over family honour.

At the end of the surviving son's third day on the stand, defence lawyer Peter Kemp, who called him to testify, re-examined him yesterday morning.

Shafia trial

- ▶ When the son took the stand this week it was the first time he had seen his parents and brother since the surviving Shafia children were removed from the home by child protection authorities the day before the arrests.
- Three members of the
 Shafia family are accused
 of killing three daughters
 and the first wife over
 family honour.

Though much was suggested by Laarhuis, it was the son who raised a suggestion that he was involved in the actual deaths.

"You've been cross-examined quite extensively by Mr. Laarhuis with respect to a conspiracy or an agreement to fabricate evidence or make up evidence ... to help your parents and your brother," Kemp said. "What do you have to say about that?"

"That we helped in the murders, is that right?" the son said. He and the rest of his family maintain the deaths were an accident, a late-night joy ride turned tragic.

Moments later, after the judge told him he could step down, the son turned to Judge Robert Maranger and asked if he could have permission to hug his parents goodbye.

Laarhuis referenced ongoing discussions about the matter, and said, "Now's not the time," causing the mother to burst into tears in the prisoner's box.

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◆ Human-rights law under review, pitting advocates against defenders of free speech

A section of Canada's human-rights code that protects against hate speech on the Internet is under attack on two fronts just as three accused neo-Nazis in British Columbia face charges of vicious, racist assaults.

An appeal got underway in Federal Court in Toronto this week scrutinizing Section 13 of the Human Rights Act, which says it's discriminatory to spread hate messages online. The case pits human-rights advocates against defenders of free expression.

Meanwhile, federal Tories are seeking to kill the provision via a private member's bill in the House of Commons.

But those who keep an eye on incidents of hate

The Internet now disseminates the racists' rallying call, said Richard Warman, one of three parties in the appeal case. He contends Section 13 must stay intact.

Hate on the rise

Statistics Canada found Canadian police forces reported a rise of 42 per cent in hate-based incidents in 2009, as compared to 2008, and more than half were based on race.

are worried that if those provisions of the act are killed, Canada could see more incidents like the setting on fire of a Filipino man in Vancouver.

Police recently announced the arrests of two men in their 20s and a 30-year-old in connection with that assault and three others against minorities in Vancouver. Investigators allege the trio are members of Blood and Honour, a white-supremacist group.

Other proponents of free speech want the law axed.

"The best defence so-called 'hate against speech' is not government enforcement of vague prohibitions, but an educated and alert citizenry and vigilant and responsible media. Charles Foran. president of PEN Canada, an association of writers and supporters who defend freedom of expression.

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'Comfort women' demand apology

Protesters in Seoul placed a statue of a girl representing victims of Japanese Second World War-era sexual slavery in front of the Japanese Embassy yesterday as South Korean President Lee Myung-bak prepared to visit Tokyo.

Fraternity under investigation

A University of Vermont fraternity has been suspended while officials investigate allegations that it circulated a survey that asked members who they would like to rape.

Members of the Ver-

mont chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon would not discuss the allegations.

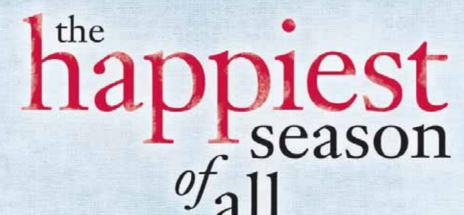
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OCCUPY WALL STREET

Protesters face NYC courts

Nearly 200 people arrested during Occupy Wall Street-related protests were in New York courtrooms yesterday, answering charges related to a Brooklyn Bridge march that drew global attention to their campaign against economic inequality. In New York City, ar-

raignments were under way for 166 people on charges of disorderly conduct and blocking traffic. Most were among the more than 700 arrested in the Oct. 1 march that marked the biggest mass arrest of the movement so far.

Police said the protesters ignored warnings not to leave a pedestrian path and go onto the roadway.

Many took a judge's offer to get their cases dismissed if they avoid getting arrested again for six months.

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Obamas not on **Facebook**

Don't expect to find the president's daughters on Facebook anytime soon.

U.S. President Barack Obama says in an interview with People

Magazine that he does not let his daughters, 13-yearold Malia and 10-year-old Sasha, use the popular social networking website.

Mrs. Obama told the magazine she and the girls like to watch ABC's Modern Family. The president enjoys HBO's Boardwalk Empire and Showtime's Homeland.

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Accused rioters apologize



Prosecutors hope to broadcast Stanley Cup rioting trials • Court appearances scheduled throughout the week, continuing into January

Several accused in the Stanley Cup riot offered apologies to reporters as they made their first court appearances yesterday and one, a former beauty queen, signalled her intention to plead guilty.

As the first eight of the more than two dozen charged each appeared in front of a justice of the peace, the Crown made good on a promise to ask that the cases be televised.

"I love this city very much," said Spencer Kirkwood, 25, of Vancouver, as he went into court. "What happened, I can't change, and I really wish I could.'

Bystanders hurled insults as the accused walked by.

Those who appeared in

Charges

So far 27 people have been charged, although the Crown is still considering charges against several dozen people.

Police predict hundreds of people will eventually be charged.

court yesterday were all charged with participating in a riot — along with a mix of other offences including break-and-enter and mischief — in connection with the June 15 riot that followed the Vancouver Canucks' loss in the Stanley Cup final. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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News in brief

Toyota Venza on top for theft

CAR CRIME. Bad news for Toyota Venza owners — the 2009 edition of the crossover SUV is the new hot target for Canadian car thieves.

The model tops the Insurance Bureau of Canada's top 10 most frequently stolen vehicles. It replaces the 2000 Honda Civic SiR, last year's No. 1 stolen vehicle, which has dropped to third place.

In at second is the 1999 Honda Civic SiR two-door, while the 2006 Ford F350 Pickup Truck 4WD takes fourth place and the 2002 Cadillac Escalade EXT four-door AWD is in fifth.

The ICC says vehicles are often targeted by criminal organizations that strip or resell them to unsuspecting consumers.

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Canadians watch more online

VIDEOS. The average Canadian Internet user spends about an hour watching 10 videos online a day, according to digital measurement firm com-Score. ComScore named Canadians as the most avid viewers of online video again, with users aged 15 and older watching an average of 303.7 videos in October.

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WestJet links with Japan Airlines

AIRLINES. WestJet Airlines Ltd. has signed an interline deal with Japan Airlines making it easier for passengers to connect between the two airlines. Travellers will link from Japan Airlines flights landing in Vancouver, and then connect to WestJet flights.

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Mobile banking ready to rise

• Nearly 3 million Canadians are checking balances via their phones

Most Canadians still aren't pulling out their phones to check their bank account balances and pay bills but experts and users alike expect a whole lot more will be doing so in 2012.

"We definitely see there's been humongous growth on the banking front on the phone platform," says Bryan Segal, vice-president of the digital measurement firm com-Score.

Canadians are among the world's leaders when it comes to embracing online and mobile banking, according to comScore. Last year, Canada ranked as the top country for online banking usage, with almost 65 per cent of our Internet users going on the web each month to check their accounts.

More recently, comScore estimated there were about

13.3 million Canadians regularly doing online banking, compared to 63.6 million in the U.S.

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Segal says about 13 per cent of Canada's mobile users access their banking on their phone on a month-



ly basis, which is roughly on par with the U.S. market and ahead of the European Union.

TD Bank and RBC had the biggest chunk of the market, with 26.7 per cent and 25.7 per cent of mobile banking users, followed by CIBC with 17 per cent, Scotiabank with 13.2 per cent and ING Direct with 9.8 per cent.

According to a Canadian Wireless Telecommunications Association survey, the biggest reason users are avoiding mobile banking is security. About 52 per cent said they had security-related concerns, while 24 per cent said they simply found online banking easier.

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FINANCIAL PLANNING

Canadians cushioned for the gift-giving season: TD survey

TD Canada Trust says Canadians have built up something of a financial cushion going into the holiday season.

This TD attributes to a penchant for putting extra dollars aside.

The bank says a recent survey suggests 53 per cent were setting aside at least 10 per cent of each paycheque as the season began.

And the bank says even more — almost 60 per cent — are planning to build their nest eggs in the new year.

TD suggests Canadi-

ans plan to pay themselves first before paying off monthly expenses, even if it's only a small amount. It also suggests peo-

It also suggests people make sure they are living within their means and not overspending on non-essential items.

Top Canadian financial officials have been warning for months that households are building up too much debt.

This is thanks in part to low interest rates.

Statistics Canada reported Tuesday that people keep taking on more debt even as they get poorer.

The agency says average household debt in Canada hit a new record high of almost 153 per cent to disposable income in the third quarter.

This is a sizable jump from 150.7 per cent in the previous quarter.

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Email considered key in hacking scandal



A former top lawyer for Rupert Murdoch's British newspapers insisted yesterday that he told the mogul's son there was evidence of widespread phone hacking more than three years before the scandal erupted.

Tom Crone questioned claims made by James Murdoch — chairman of News International, the British arm of his father's media empire — that he had not been informed that hacking was rife.

For many months, News International insisted the illegal accessing of the cellphone voice messages of celebrities and crime victims was confined to reporter Clive Goodman who, along with private investigator Glenn Mulcaire, was jailed in 2007.

But in July the company closed the tabloid, amid public outrage over the disclosure that reporters had hacked the phone of a missing schoolgirl, Milly Dowler, who was later "What was relayed to Mr. Murdoch was that this document (the email) clearly was direct and hard evidence of that (hacking) being the case."

TOM CRONE, FORMER TOP LAWYER FOR RUPERT MURDOCH'S BRITISH NEWSPAPERS

found murdered.

Crone told Britain's media inquiry he was "pretty sure" that, he showed Murdoch a printed email in June 2008 that included transcripts of illegally intercepted voice mail messages.

The document is considered a key piece of evidence in proving that News International had attempted to hide the extent of the scandal. Crone's evidence marks the strongest challenge yet to the testimony of 39-year-old Murdoch to lawmakers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS





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Tube workers threaten to strike

▶ London subway workers set to walk off job Dec. 26 over holiday pay
▶ Busiest shopping day for Britain

London subway workers say that they will stage four strikes — including one on Boxing Day — due to a dispute over holiday pay

The Aslef union says its members will walk out on Dec. 26 — one of the busiest shopping days in Britain — after failing to agree to wages for working the day after Christmas.

It says union members also will stage 24-hour strikes on Jan. 16, Feb. 3 and Feb 13.

The union said yester-day that it seeks "ade-quate" compensation for working on Boxing Day but has not received any offers for the extra pay it wants.

The London Underground's management says the union's "outrageous" demand for triple pay and a day off in lieu for working Boxing Day went against an earlier agreement.

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Americans wary of what they find on the web: Study

Over the past decade, Americans have witnessed the rise of social networks and mobile technology that's put the Internet at an arm's reach, day and night. Yet a new study has found that people are even more distrustful of the information they find online.

Three-quarters of Internet users find the web an important source of information, but most people still don't deem the content they see online reliable, ac-

cording to a report out this week from the University of Southern California's Center for the Digital Future.

In 2010, 15 per cent of Internet users said they find only a small portion of online information reliable. That's greater than the seven per cent who were likewise skeptical of the vast majority of information they come across on the Internet.

The mistrust is especially true for social networks.



That said, people don't look to social networks for reliability. Rather, they visit the sites to socialize and share photos, updates and videos.

Trust grows when it comes to established media outlets and government websites. In 2010, 79 per cent of Internet users said they found content posted on government websites reliable, about the same as in 2003, the first year the centre looked at that question.

Online privacy

- Americans are more concerned about businesses than they are about the government, the report found.
- Nearly half of U.S. Internet users said they are worried about companies watching what they do online, compared to 38 per cent who said the same for the government.

Chinese taxing U.S. cars

China has imposed duties on imports of some U.S.made vehicles, claiming damage from foreign automakers due to dumping and subsidies in the latest trade friction. The Commerce Ministry said yesterday that the duties would be imposed for two years on imported cars and sport utility vehicles with engine displacements of over 2.5 litres. The duties range from two per cent to 21.5 per cent. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

India questions Dow Chemical sponsorship

The head of India's Olympic committee called yesterday for the 2012 London Games to end Dow Chemical's sponsorship because of the company's ties to the deadly 1984 gas leak in Bhopal, India. The Indian Olympic Association is holding a two-day meeting to decide upon the issue. Officials have ruled out calling for a boycott of the games.

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Downgrading for EU banks

Fitch Ratings downgraded debt ratings for five European banks, citing the eurozone crisis and stronger headwinds facing the sector. Long-term issuer-default and viability ratings were lowered one notch for French banks
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I, for one, was inspired by the
Kyoto Protocol, which ushered
in a bold new era in which
countries throughout the
world put aside their
differences and worked
together to ignore the Kyoto Protocol.

It's rare you see that kind of teamwork outside of arms deals.

The Conservatives pulled Canada out of Kyoto this week, and it would be easy to mock them (fun, too), but this is a failure we all share in.

When the Kyoto deal was signed in 1997, we talked about the deal as if something really exceptional had happened that would unite humanity — like the end of nuclear weapons or a Saved by the Bell reunion special.

"Global warming is too slow, too subtle for humans. Us rats, we don't understand risk-reward if the electric shock comes decades later."

We were breathlessly told that we'd be able to breathe again, all thanks to 160 signatories sending the amount of greenhouse gases back to the halcyon days of the 1980s.

The U.S., showing its usual world leadership, got the failure started when George W. Bush said the protocol was "economically irresponsible" — a description that looked a little short-sighted when New Orleans did its

imitation of the SpongeBob SquarePants mise-en-scène. At the time, Canada took its usual official diplomatic position toward the U.S. of being smug. According to WikiLeaks, Paul Martin's official cable to the U.S. was "Tsk, tsk, tsk," Canada's greenhouse-gas record was as bad as America's but we left that part out, as one does.

Some blame goes to the accord's writers, too: We should have known Kyoto was doomed as soon as we heard there were environmental "credits" that could be used to offset actually helping the environment — a sort of frequent-polluter points card. Getting out of pollution standards because you are planting trees, say, seems to me like getting out of a speeding ticket in the morning because you plan to drive under the speed limit in the afternoon.

Finally, of course, there's you. Did you do anything worthy of an environmental award since 1997? Recycling and composting only gets you a Certificate of Attendance.

Global warming is too slow, too subtle for humans. Us rats, we don't understand risk-reward if the electric shock comes decades later.

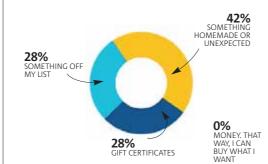
I'm still hopeful. Everyone seems to value the environment, even if they weren't on board for Kyoto. One-hundred-and-sixty countries failed in Japan, but it could be different now. If we really believe, we could get 190, maybe 200 countries on the road to probable failure this time. When it comes to world diplomacy, this is progress. (Deep breaths, everyone. Deep breaths.)

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Local tweets



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- Charpsinyc: City Hall School in progress. Nifty listening to their responses to some big questions. #yyccc
- @Jeanniehu: Dodging the carts at #yyc #Costco Heritage today was reminiscent of Frogger.
- @Beckys_World: Can't believe how hard it is to find

- a preschool + how early you have to register!! It's insane #yyc #sw #bridlewood
- @ChristieNRoxy: The weather this week on #YYC has giving me non stop headaches. I'm actually glad it's cooling down tonight. I need relief!
- @susanjsohn: Just saw the worst Santa ever..... #YYC
- ► **@YYCgal:** Never underestimate the happiness a little heater can bring! #yyc #br-
- @Clabug: What's a good thing to do with a 5 an half month old baby for new years in #yyc?



U.S. leaving Iraq via Kuwait route

KUWAIT. U.S. army soldiers from the 1st Cavalry Division walk to a waiting bus as they leave customs for a ride to the airport to fly back to Fort Hood, Texas. They exited Iraq yesterday at Camp Virginia in Kuwait City. President Obama is meeting Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki to ceremonially mark the end of the war.



"On behalf of a grateful nation, I'm proud to finally say these two words — welcome home."

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American troops were present in Iraq when Obama took office. Within 15 days, there will be zero left. Some 4,483 U.S. soldiers have died in Iraq since the conflict started, while nearly 30,000 have been injured. The Iraq war cost the U.S. approximately \$1 trillion.

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The market makeover

• The elves get busy in the East Village • And these aren't your typical Christmas crafts

BACKSTAGE PASS

JENNIFER LARAWAY



There's a special place in my heart for East Village. When I first moved back

to Calgary, I had a lovely place in the orange loft building. The living room had 14-

The living room had 14foot vaulted ceilings complete with a wall of windows that overlooked the river, vacant lots, and prostitutes fighting over who got to work a particular corner.

A lot has changed over the years.

In fact, the neighbourhood is getting a complete makeover thanks to many initiatives from Calgary Municipal Land Corporation (CMLC).

This Saturday, Dec. 17, they are hosting the first Elves in the Village Christmas Market event inside the beautifully restored Simmons Building (618 Confluence Way SE).

Before you stop reading because you're thinking this is another craft show, think again.

The vendors were hand selected by organizer extraordinaire Erin Darroch (she earns the honorary title after pulling this event together in less than a month) and it includes everything from local vin-

tage vendors to glass blowers, jewellery makers, and cheese making kits.

Yes, cheese making kits — you can actually make your own poutine.

Seriously, who wouldn't want one of those for Christmas?

Inspired by the street market they held last summer, the crew at CMLC wanted a way to bring the neighbourhood together over the holidays and show off the progression the community has made, as well as what's lined up for the New Year.

"It evolved as we worked through our partnerships. We got so much interest that we decided to invite the YYC Trucks. Suddenly, it turned into the event of the season and people were calling me to take part in it," Darroch explained about how the events came to fruition.

They actually have had to waitlist vendors for next year — not a bad outcome for a first time event.

Luckily, those wanting to take part in the shopping definitely won't be turned away.

Get your holiday goodies from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Saturday.

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T-Pain brushes off his critics with laughs and lots of hits

T-Pain knows that whatever he does — including his latest album, rEVOLVEr, which he calls the best record he's ever done there will be people who will just dismiss him as that

Auto-Tune guy.
It doesn't bother him though. While it may be a blow to his ego, he soothes the slams with his everhearty laugh - and a glance at his checkbook.

"Say what you wanna say I'm still rich," he said, chuckling while sitting in his tour bus. "It's not going to change anything."

Indeed, nothing seems to have derailed the 27year-old singer and producer and his hit-making magic since he made his debut with songs like I'm Sprung and I'm N Luv (Wit a Stripper) in 2005. Those

"Say what you wanna say - I'm still rich."

songs started a platinumchain reaction of hits, including Buy U a Drank, Can't Believe It and Good Life with Kanye West, which earned him one of his two Grammy Awards.

His reliance on Auto-Tune, the vocal aide that gives a computerized effect to his voice, became his signature sound. Its use grew so ubiquitous with other acts that it sparked a back-

Jay-Z famously declared D.O.A. (Death of Auto-Tune), but it still thrives. In fact, T-Pain's app that lets people add that effect to their voice is a popular one.

Speaking last month on the night of his final concert as the opening act for Chris Brown's F.A.M.E. tour, T-Pain was weary as he waited for his moment onstage. But through laughs, he had enough energy to talk about his latest album, his critics and the truth in his music.

Have you ever considered not using Auto-Tune because of all the criticism?

No. It made me do it more, just to annoy the hell out of people (laughs). ... It made me realize that when I don't use it, people don't pay attention to them songs. I've got a song on every album, two songs as a matter of fact on every album without Auto-Tune, and that's the song that nobody talks about. It's weird.

How have you grown performing in the spotlight, dealing with criticism?

Most of the blogs and stuff, it's just their opinion. It's just that one person. They didn't ask anybody else how they felt. ... It's just their opinion, and I can ask anybody that. It doesn't have to be a journalist. I can just go on Twitter and say, "Hey guys, how did I do

And like my biggest hit, the biggest hit song I had, the longest-running song was Flo Rida's Low, and that didn't have Auto-Tune on it at all, and people had no idea. They just feel like anytime they hear me, it's going to be Auto-Tune. Anytime people read my tweets, they hear it in Auto-Tune. It's weird. I don't know (laugh-

tonight?" (Laughs.) That's what I look to, I look to the people who actually came there for a concert, and not somebody who came there looking for some bad stuff to say, because that's what's interesting, that's what makes your blog interest-

Does this record represent a different T-Pain?

It's a really different T-Pain.

It's a more confident T-Pain on the album, but I'm like scared. I don't know what to do. I don't know how this is gonna work out. This album is really good, though. It's so good that I went back just to listen to all of my other albums, and I was like, I don't know why I thought people would like that. It's bad. It's like, such a difference.



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'We both actually cried'

Miranda Lambert is paying tribute to husband Blake Shelton's late brother with her new single, Over You.

Richie Shelton died in a car accident in 1990. The newlyweds wrote the song together about a year ago, and Lambert recorded it for her latest album Four the Record. It is the second single released from the album. The song idea started on a tour bus as they were flipping through TV chan-

Shelton's Backstory happened to be re-airing on Great American Country (GAC), and it was at the part where his dad was talking about his brother's fatal crash. His father said: "You don't ever get over something like that. You just get used to it."

The couple turned the TV off and started talking.

"Miranda never had a chance to meet my brother," Shelton said recently. "I was just a teenager when that happened. So I was telling her about him, what he was like, and we just ended up like we do sometimes, writing a song.



VASHARIA . Richie was only 24 when he died. Shelton was 14 at the time.

This was the first time Shelton, now 35, really opened up to Lambert about the tragedy.

"We both actually cried while writing the song," said Lambert, 28.

"That's the only time I've ever gotten that emotional writing a song, and him, too. So, I think the initial emotion came out right that day, and I think you hear it in the lyrics."

Some of the lines are pulled directly from Shelton's experience. Lambert "Your favourite records make me feel better, cause you sing along with every song. I know you didn't mean to give them to me."

"That's one of the things I got when my brother was killed. The family gave me all his albums and things like that," Shelton said.

"I just listened to them over and over again to feel like he was there.'

Shelton said Richie loved all kinds of music, from Hank Williams Jr. to MC Hammer.

He still has his brother's No Fences album by Garth Brooks and savs Richie's favourite song at the time was Friends In Low Places.

The songwriting process helped Lambert and Shelton grow as a couple. Lambert calls it the most real song she's ever had.

"It was really a great moment between us. It was like we moved to a deeper level, not just in our relationship, but also, we respect each other as artists, and being able to write something that personal with each other was really cool," she said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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LiLo bails on Ellen, 'delayed in Hawaii'

Star cancels spot on talk show Producers score Paris Jackson instead

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"exclusive" interview Lindsay Lohan was going to do on Ellen — the only media appearance she agreed to do to

promote her new Playboy magazine spread? Well, she missed it. Of course she did!

Her rep says the reason she didn't make the show was because she "was delayed in Hawaii due to a travel-related issue. Lindsay offered to tape Ellen tomorrow, but the show was unable to shift things around, and tomorrow is their last day of taping for the season." The show's producers are less than pleased, according to Gossip Cop. "Not a call or an apology from



Lindsay," a source close to the show says.

However, the producers scored a coup de grace and got Paris Jackson (Michael Jackson's oldest child) to fill in for Lohan in her first solo

television appearance, which will air on Thursday. The 13-year-old talked about her new film role in the fantasy film Lundon's Bridge and the Three Keys. She says her decision to act

was due to her father. "My dad was in the movie Moonwalker and I knew he could sing really well, but I didn't know he could act. I saw that and I said, 'Wow, I want to be just like him."

Kutcher's

fling regrets dishing

Despite the \$200,000 she

reportedly earned for dish-

ing on her affair with Ash-

ton Kutcher, San Diego

resident Sarah Leal is regretting the decision to go public. "I got fired from my job. I am no longer

friends with my best friend

Celebrity tweets



ok so i think i'm d efoo going with the video xmas card.ok family lets get this done in the next week or so, will keep you guys posted!

mv twitter name isn't a top priority right now. sorry it

changing

bothers so many of u. should I not tweet until I do?does it really matter?

Is this for real??? Mν friend has a trained cheetah in his car ... That's nuts!!!!!!!

@Ioan Rivers



ently for Christmas. Our manger scenes are typi-

orate differ-

cally set in a Chinese restaurant.

Sheen's ex heads back to rehab

After more recent run-ins with the law, Charlie Sheen's ex-wife Brooke Mueller has decided to once again check herself into rehab, according to

"Brooke has decided to remove herself from the media spotlight and has entered a long-term in-patient treatment centre where she can focus on her recovery without distraction," her rep says.

"Brooke will retain custody of the children, who will remain in their home and familiar surroundings and be under the care of their longtime nanny. Charlie and Brooke's parents fully support her decision, and everyone recognizes the importance of maintaining the children's normal routine.'

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► Charlie Sheen

Sheen's binges 'heartbreaking' to watch: Lorre

Looking back on the blowup between Charlie Sheen and Two and a Half Men, the show's creator, Chuck Lorre, has changed his views on his former colleague and friend.

Every time he got himself into trouble, we be-lieved that there was healing that was go-

ing to come. I certainly believed that sobriety is something that he wants in his life, and I was wrong,' Lorre tells

Guide magazine.

"You couldn't do that much cocaine and work. It was falling apart.

"It was heartbreaking to be around here then. I didn't want to be writing a sitcom while my friend died. Or worse, hurt someone else. "We couldn't be complacent. There was a tragedy unfolding right in front of us. There was violence and blackouts. On a certain level, if you're looking the other you're responsible."

Angie still loves her some Brad

While six kids may seem like plenty, Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt aren't necessarily done building their family. "Nothing planned

at the moment, but we just don't know," Jolie tells Marie Clare magazine. "I could end up pregnant.'



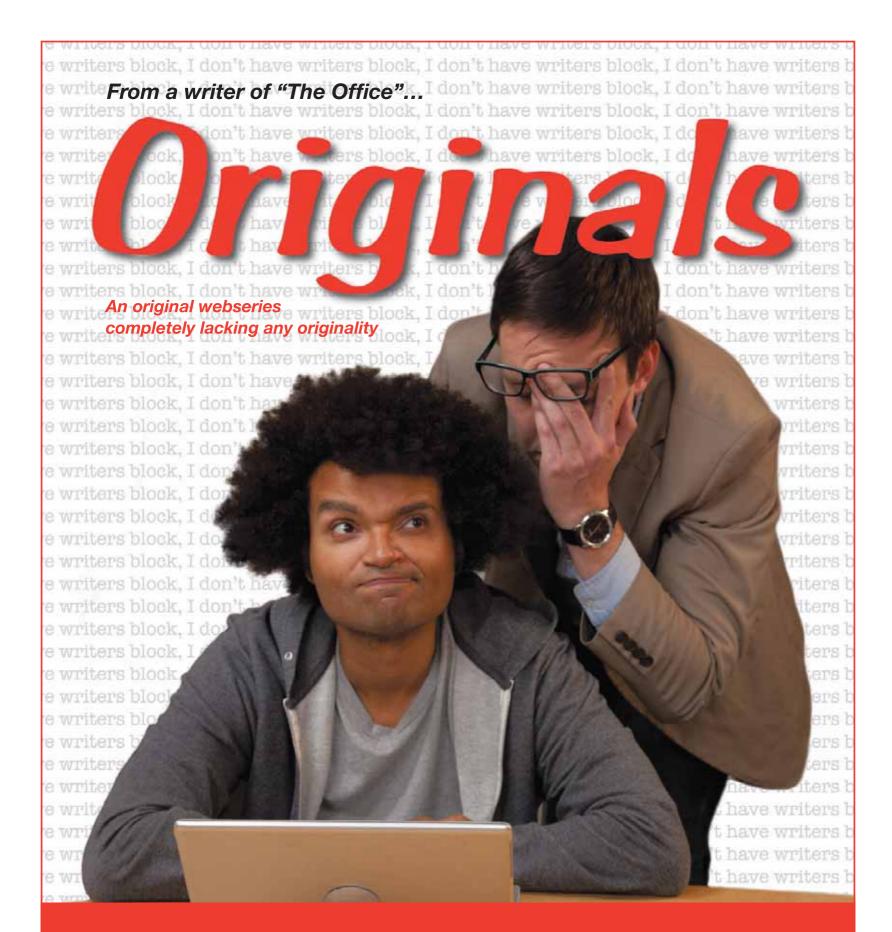
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who was my roommate because it caused so many problems and I had to move out, Leal tells Fox411. "I had no idea what I was getting myself in-METRO



In today's episode..."Can't Live Without 'Em"

As originality continues to elude our TV big-shot wannabes, Jason and Bryce decide the only way to the promised land of a 'green lit' project is to swear off women... not that the women will notice. Or will they?





Crown's jewel shines

• A daughter of design royalty and goddaughter of true royalty sparkles with many talents

"I recognize in myself a lot of my strengths have come from him and indeed the way I decorate. Whether it's



India Hicks hasn't drifted

far from the flashbulbs

since she was thrust into

the global spotlight three

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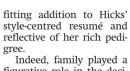
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INDIA HICKS ON HER FATHER. RENOWNED DECORATOR AND DESIGNER DAVID HICKS



figurative role in the decision to put her stamp on a signature jewelry collection perhaps most notably her father, the late David Hicks.

The renowned interior decorator and designer was known for his strong use of colour and geometric designs in carpets and textiles, and his signature esthetic is where Hicks draws inspiration for her creations.

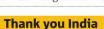
"We may have had a tricky relationship because he was quite a tricky chap, (but) a brilliant designer and a fasci-nating person," Hicks said in an interview last week in Holt Renfrew's offices.

"As a father, he was a perfectionist and he had a



very strong point of view on how things were going to be done. So there were definitely times as a child where it was intimidating and life could have possibly been a little more relaxed on occasion.

But nevertheless, I recognize in myself a lot of my strengths have come from him and, indeed, the way I decorate. Whether it's interiors, whether it's a collecof fragrances



Hicks aces accessories:

- The Hicks on Hicks collection of sterling silver and diamond pieces features her father's famous hexagonal pattern with a modern, architectural influence seen in cuffs, earrings. necklaces and statement rings.
- Her sea-inspired Island Life collection includes starfish wrap cuffs and rings, fishtail earrings and shimmering shell-shaped pendants.



whether it's fine jewelry, there's a lot of influence from my father."

Her mother is Lady Pamela Hicks, daughter to the Earl and Countess Mountbatten of Burma.

Hicks took part in an instore meet-and-greet with customers at Holt Renfrew's downtown flagship store last week where her jewelry collection will be carried exclusively in Canada.

44-year-old said there's much more she'd like to tackle in the style domain, but she wants to ensure she maintains her responsibilities balancing motherhood with work.

She also seeks to be prudent in lending her name and energy to a project she sees as having longevity.

"You want a collection that, firstly, you know is going to stand the test of time, you know is actually a good product, you know will have an audience that will be willing to buy it and invest in it and follow you," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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By Chantel Simmons

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In this hectic modern world, Twitter has become a cool and succinct way of communicating. It allows me to be accessible, instantly speak my mind, and connects me with all kinds of people. Whether it's a fashion question, or you just want to comment on life's bigger picture, I'd love to hear from you.

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@Jeanne_Beker:

When my kids were small I gave them cozy new flannel pj's every xmas eve so they'd be wearing them xmas morning. What will YOU be wearing?



- @toniaantonietta: Wow, I gave both my girls the same thing. Now, in their twenties what do I give them?
- ▶ **@Jeanne_Beker:** My girls are in their 20s too. Think I'm going to revive the tradition!!
- ▶ **@patricktustin:** I want to find a flannel one-piece that will fit my 6 foot frame hahaha
- ▶ **@Jeanne_Beker** Oh yeah...with a "trap door" in the back, right? Good luck!!
- @Linny_Bop you are never too old for Christmas pj's! My mom still buys @MaMi_KriS and I a pair every year & we are 30 & 27:) #traditions
- @Jeanne_Beker Yay! Think I'll get my kids PJ's again this year too!!!



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Have yourself an appy Christmas

Danish dull shrimp cocktail in favour of something zestier: Caribbean Shrimp Skewers



Is shrimp cocktail a mainstay of your holiday party table? And are you a little bored with the same old dish? This year, try something different.

Start with the same easy, pre-cooked shrimp, but this time toss them with a zesty Jamaicanstyle seasoning blend and skewer them with cubes of tangy mango and cool, crunchy cucumber.

Add a touch of zippy pepper and nobody will suffer from yet-anothershrimp-cocktail drome.

Caribbean Shrimp Skewers

Preparation:

In a medium bowl, stir together garlic powder, allspice, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger, thyme, cayenne, black pepper and salt. Pat shrimp dry (this will help the spices stick), then toss in spice mixture.

On 10-cm (4-inch) skewers or picks, place a

salt, black pepper,

chipotle pepper, adobo

and breadcrumbs. Form

mixture into 2.5-cm (1-

balls on prepared bak-

(425 F) for 10 minutes

ing sheet. Bake in 220 C

sauce, vinegar, eggs

inch) balls. Arrange

Inaredients:

- 5 ml (1 tsp) garlic powder
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground allspice
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cinnamon
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) nutmeg • 2 ml (1/2 tsp) dry ginger
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) dried thyme
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cayenne pepper
- 5 ml (1 tsp) ground black
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 285 g (10 oz) peeled and deveined cooked medium
- 6 Peppadew peppers, quartered
- 2 mangoes, peeled and cubed
- 1/2 English cucumber, cut in 1/2 moon slices

piece of pepper, then a piece of mango, a piece of cucumber and finally 3 spiced shrimp. THE AS-SOCIATED PRESS/ ADAPTED FOR METRO NEWS BY EMILY RICHARDS, A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST. COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE,

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VISIT

One of the best parts of the festive season is appetizers to serve along with drinks as friends gather. In that spirit, Toronto food writer Judith Finlayson and chef Jordan Wagman co-authored 750 Best Appetizers: From Dips and Salsas to Spreads and Shooters (Robert Rose, 2011).

The book has 16 chapters built around specific types of dishes, such as dips and spreads, or specific ingredients like fish and seafood or cheese.

Among the starters are: Uptown croque monsieur, tahini dip, shrimp bisque, duck confit quesadilla, beer-battered ovsters and many others. WITH FILES FROM THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ It's time to face it — Italian and Swedish meatballs deserve a rest ▶ Try these cranberry-chipotle ones instead

Meatballs are a great holiday entertaining food.

They are homey, wellloved and easy to make ahead of time.

But let's face it they've been done.

They've been done with grape jelly and ketchup.

They've been done with beer and barbecue

And they've been done with creamy gravies.

So how about some-

thing a little different? Something that adds some zing to the appetizer offerings.

Sweet, smoky with a kick of heat is always a great combination for holiday appetizers. This recipe has all that, plus a do-ahead sensibility.

The given directions are for making the meatballs on the stove, but if you prefer you can transfer them to a slow cooker to keep them warm for

your party.

You also can keep them warm in a Dutch oven over a stovetop burner set on low.

Use toothpicks or little wooden serving skewers in order to serve the Canberry Chipotle Meatballs at your get-together as an easy - but oh so different hors d'heuvre.

Cranberry Chipotle Meatballs

Preparation:

- Coat a large rimmed baking sheet with cooking spray.
- In a skillet heat oil over medium-high heat. Add garlic and onion and sauté for about 5 minutes or until soft and translucent: set aside to cool.
- In a large bowl, mix together cooked onion mixture, beef, pork,

or until cooked through and browned. Sauce: Meanwhile, in a saucepan combine cranberry sauce, chili sauce and adobo sauce and bring to a simmer

When meatballs are done, transfer to a shallow bowl or rimmed platter. Pour sauce over meatballs and toss gently to coat and serve.

over medium heat.

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Ingredients:

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) olive oil · 2 cloves garlic, minced

- 500 g (1 lb) lean ground
- 500 g (1 lb) lean ground pork
- 5 ml (1 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) freshly ground black pepper
- 1 chipotle pepper (in adobo sauce), minced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) adobo

- sauce (from canned chipotles in adobo)
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) red wine vinegar
- 2 eggs
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) panko breadcrumbs

Sauce:

- 500 mL (2 cups) whole berry cranberry sauce
- 375 mL (1 1/2 cups) chili sauce
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) adobo sauce (from canned chipotles in adobo)



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No room? There's still a place for that tree

Think outside the decoration box Karl Lohnes invents new ways to add festive flair to the smallest of spaces

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Question: I live in a really small space and have no room to add a Christmas tree. How can I add a festive look to my small condo that won't take up the floor space? Andrea Nichols, Vancouver

Answer: I suggest looking at ways to add fresh or artificial greenery to the walls or a door rather than taking up floor space

First thing to do is inquire with your condo to see if fresh greens and trees are allowed (very often they are not), especially when electrical lights are being added.

Not only are they considered a fire hazard, but the cleaning of dried needles and removal of the tree after the holidays is often a concern.

Artificial greens are a great alternative; they look realistic, are fire-retardant and last from year to year.

Look for outdoor artificial greenery. Largerscaled wreaths and garlands can also help add a bigger impact.

Get creative

- If you have a balcony, decorate an artificial tree with tons of coloured lights and outdoor ornaments to view through the patio door while inside.
- Replace your living room table lamps with small pre-

lit and potted trees during the holidays. The soft light will add a warm glow to the

Fill an umbrella stand with tall dogwood branches and add mini lights. This can be a tall and contemporary alternative to the standard bulky tree.



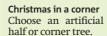
Do up your door

Link three wreaths vertically on a door so they can be viewed from a common spot in your condo. Use over-door wreath hangers to hang the wreaths.

Arranging the smallest on top to largest on bottom will give you a traditional tree shape or stacking same-sized wreaths will add a contemporary flair.

Use battery operated mini lights to illuminate the wreaths to allow the door to swing open and closed.

For real fun, paint the door a shiny bright red colour or cover it in a big-scaled holiday wrapping paper



This will give you the look of a tree but without the bulk of a full one.

I suggest buying a four-six foot tree and standing it on a skirted decorator table to give it height and allow it to look super tall and majestic.

With only half or a quarter-sized tree to decorate, fill it with tons of ornaments that are all related by colour.

Some great colour combinations would be: brown and orange, lime green and gold or red and turquoise.





Festive reflections

Frame a large floor standing mirror with garlands, ornaments and lights.

To do this effectively, you have to go big with the gar-

lands. Buy about 50 feet of garland; this will allow you to double it up and give a lush presence around the large mirror (or even a doorway or mantel).

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Dear Charles the Butler, With the holiday season in full swing, what do I do if I get a wine spill on my carpet or upholstered furniture? Do I or don't I add white wine, club soda, salt, dab, rub or wet vacuum to the stain?

Along with the multitude of things people say you should and should not do, I have no clue what to do any more and just panic to say the least. Can I tell my guests no red wine?

Wine spills in the middle of a reception often create a

small scene. So let's take a deep breath and figure out how to deal with them.

- 1. Stay calm and don't draw too much attention to the spot, as this will make your guests feel uncomfortable.
- 2. Use a clean and dry cloth to absorb the wine but don't rub it in. Keep using the cloth or lots of paper towels to pat and absorb the liquid.



- 3. Flush the stain with fresh cool water. Again use a clean cloth to pat and absorb the stain. This should remove all of the wine.
- 4. Once all liquid has been absorbed, add lots of salt and let it sit overnight.
- 5. Vacuum the stain the following day.

Finally, as the host you can choose not to serve red wine. But in most cases you can easily get the stain out. HAVE A QUESTION? SEND AN EMAIL TO ASKCHARLESTHEBUTLER@

Ring in the new year responsibly

Leading up to Auld Lang Syne, keep it low key with a cosy gathering in your home inviting close friends and family.

An intimate celebration allows guests (and the host) to relax and enjoy each other's company without all of the added chaos that can be associated with larger New Year's Eve parties. Even so, responsible hosting etiquette is still required.

Follow these tips for responsible hosting courtesy of Molson Coors Canada:

1 Offer all guests an assortment of non-alcoholic beverages.

The host/hostess should serve drinks themselves or ask a reliable

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available online."

friend to act as the bartender that evening — as guests tend to drink more when it's an open bar.

Stop serving alcohol at least one hour before the festivities officially end and offer guests desserts, coffee and other non-alcoholic beverages.

4 Ensure there is a plan in place for any guests who may need help getting home, and be prepared for overnight guests.

Be prepared to take car keys away and send guests home in a cab if they haven't enjoyed responsibly. Even better, when invites go out to guests, provide them with details on Taxiguy, a mobile app that's available online.

In partnership with Molson Coors, the free Taxiguy app calls one of 425 cab companies across Canada (closest to your location) at the touch of a button. Use it to ensure friends and family are kept safe on New Year's Eve.

Follow these guidelines for ringing in 2012 responsibly and let sticking to your New Year's resolution be the only thing anyone has to worry about Dec. 31.



Keep safe and sober on the road this holiday season

It doesn't seem to matter how often we talk about the dangers of drinking and driving. Someone, somewhere, isn't listening.

According to statistics provided by the Ontario Provincial Police, impaired driving is the leading criminal cause of death in Canada. And, sadly, arrests

for impaired driving hit a year-long peak during the final weeks of the year.

"Everyone recognizes that the holiday season is a great time to reconnect with family and friends and celebrate with a few drinks," said Mauro Convertini, insurance expert at Aviva Canada. "It's im-

portant, though, to have a plan in place to get yourself and your loved ones home safely."

Convertini offers some simple tips to ensure a safe and happy holiday season:

Plan ahead: If you are likely to consume alcohol at an event or party, don't

take your vehicle.

► Use a designated driver: Remember, the "least impaired" person in the room is not a designated driver.

► Use public transit: If this is not an option, make arrangements to spend the night if you are visiting a friend. NEWS CANADA





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Flames preview

Calgary at Tampa Bay 5:30 p.m. TV: SNET



Calgary (14-14-2) faces the Lightning (12-16-2) in a rematch of the 2004 Stanley Cup Final. Vincent Lecavalier and Jarome Iginla, two prominent figures in that series, both have 11 goals and 21 points so far this season. Steven Stamkos leads Tampa Bay with 18 goals and 33 points, including three in a 5-4 loss to New Jersey on Monday. Goaltending continues to be the biggest problem for the Lightning. They have allowed four or more goals in six of their last seven games, all losses. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Heavyweight contenders

DElite defence, multi-tasking forwards named to Canadian junior men's hockey team

The Canadian team charged with reclaiming gold at the world junior hockey championship will be able to count on a big, deep defence, multi-purpose forwards and an experienced goaltender.

"We have real good balance," coach Don Hay said Wednesday of his 22-man squad. "When we tried to put the team together, we really looked at what we'd need if somebody went down with an injury. Could that players move up? Play on the power-play and kill penalties and things like that?

"We have a couple topend lines and a couple of hard-working third and fourth lines and we have players that can fill different roles and move into different positions."

The defence is big and skilled.

Led by Saginaw Spirit's Jamie Oleksiak (almost six foot seven and 244 pounds), the seven defencemen chosen average almost six foot three and 200 pounds. Five of them were taken in the first round of the NHL draft.

Up front, Canada profited when Devante Smith-Pelly of the Anaheim Ducks and Brett Connolly of the Tampa Bay Lightning were made available to the Canadian team.

Smith-Pelly, five foot 11 and 212 pounds, is projected to play the wing on Canada's top line and create space for his linemates.

"I think we'll be physical in a lot of different ways," said Hay, who coaches the WHL Vancouver Giants. "We have a lot of speed



that will let us get to pucks quickly and then when we get the pucks we'll be physical on the puck. You have Smith-Pelly who will create a lot of physical play and I think guys will really follow him."

The 2012 world junior hockey championship opens Dec. 26 in Calgary and Edmonton. Canada will play its Pool B games in Edmonton. Pool A and medal-round games are in Calgary.

Mark Visentin, one of four Niagara IceDogs named to the Canadian team, will start in goal.

"Coming in, he's the No. 1 guy," Hay said. "I think

"I learned a lot from last year. ... It's something I used to motivate myself in the summer to get better, but right now it's a clean slate"

GOALIE MARK VISENTIN

you're always proving yourself and he knows that." Scott Wedgewood of the

Plymouth Whalers is the other goalie.
Visentin, Connolly,

Visentin, Connolly, Quinton Howden of the Moose Jaw Warriors and Jaden Schwartz of Colorado College all played in the 2011 tournament.

Canada had the gold medal in its grasp in Buffalo with a 3-0 lead heading into the third period. Russia scored five unanswered goals on Visentin in the third to take it away from them.

Freddie and Dougie Hamilton will be the first brothers to play for the Canadian team since Randy and Mike Moller 30 years ago. Freddie is 19 and Dougie is 18.

The Hamilton brothers and centre Ryan Strome are the other Niagara Ice-Dogs on the team.

Hay plans to wait a few days to name his captain and assistant captains. After practising as a team for the first time Thursday in Calgary, the players head to Banff for more practice and team building.

Schwartz, who was unable to finish the tournament in Buffalo because of a broken ankle, is a candidate for captain.

"Now the players can kind of relax and be themselves a little bit and we'll get to see which player really wants that role," Hay said. "Some people don't want that role and others are looking forward to it." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Last night's results

Boston 5 Ottawa 2 Chicago 4 Minnesota 3 (SO) Anaheim 4 Phoenix 1

Tuesday's results

Toronto 2 Carolina 1 (OT) Ottawa 3 Buffalo 2 (OT) Winnipeg 2 Minnesota 1 Columbus 2 Vancouver 1 (SO) Nashville 2 Calgary 1 Colorado 4 San Jose 3 (SO) Dallas 1 N Y Rangers 0 Montreal 5 N.Y. Islanders 3 Boston 3 Los Angeles 0 Detroit 4 Pittsburgh 1 New Jersey 3 Florida 2 (SO)

Philadelphia 5 Washington 1

Tonight's games

Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m. Vancouver at Carolina, 7 p.m. Los Angeles at Columbus, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Montreal, 7:30 p.m. Calgary at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Detroit at Nashville, 8 p.m. Washington at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m. Edmonton at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Colorado at San Jose, 10:30 p.m

Tomorrow's games

Dallas at New Jersey, 7 n.m. Toronto at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m. Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m. Calgary at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Anaheim at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

BLACKHAWKS 4, WILD 3 (SO)

First Period No Scoring. Penalties - None

1. Chicago, Hossa 13 (J.Toews, Sharp) 9:19

2. Chicago, Frolik 5 (Kruger, Mayers), 10:48 3, Minnesota, Brodziak 11 (Johnson) 13:10 4. Minnesota, Cullen 9 (Clutterbuck, W.Peters)

Penalties — Carcillo Chi, Staubitz, Minn (fighting) 3:29, Koivu Minn (tripping) 7:06, Cullen Minn (unsportsmanlike conduct) 8:20, Monta-dor Chi (high-sticking) 17:37.

Third Period

5, Chicago, J.Toews 18 (Stalberg) 6:54 6, Minnesota, Koivu 8 (Clutterbuck, Stoner), 14:56.

Penalty — Carcillo, Chi (elbowing), 8:01.
Overtime — No Scoring.
Penalties — None.

Shootout

Chicago (2) - J.Toews, goal; Kane, goal; Minnesota (0)-Cullen, miss; Heatley, miss. Shots on goal

11 10 7 3 -31 2 10 16 2 -30 Chicago Minnesota Goal — Chicago: Emery (W,7-1-2); Minnesota: Backstrom (SOL,11-6-3).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Chicago: 1-2 Minnesota: 0-2.

Referees — Chris Rooney, Francois St. Lau rent. Linesmen - Ryan Galloway, Dan

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BRUINS 5, SENATORS 2

1. Boston, Peverley 6 (Ference, Corvo) 12:10 Penalties — Lucic Bos, Carkner Ott (fighting) 11:46. Second Period

3. Boston, Kelly 12 (Boychuk, Peverley) 13:47

Penalties — Seidenberg Bos (cross-checking) 5:31, McQuaid Bos (kneeing major, game misconduct) 17:45, Konopka Ott (goaltender in-

4. Boston, Bergeron 6, 4:54 5. Boston, Paille 4 (Thornton, Ference) 5:50 6. Ottawa, Spezza 10 (Phillips, Alfredsson) 15:55 7. Boston, Paille 5, 18:56

Penalties — Horton Bos (high-sticking) 12:43, Marchand Bos (delay of game) 16:23.

Shots on goal

13 14 22 Goal — Boston: Thomas (W,14-5-0); Ottawa: Anderson (L,12-11-2). Power plays (goalschances) Boston: 0-1; Ottawa: 0-4. Attendance — 18,088 (19,153) at Ottawa.

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Pominville, Buf	10	22	32
Sharp, Chi	16	15	31
Ma.Hossa, Chi	12	19	31
Backstrom, Wash	11	20	31
Eberle, Edm	11	20	31
Weiss, Fla	11	20	31
P.Kane, Chi	8	23	31
Fleischmann, Fla	12	18	30
Datsyuk, Det	9	21	30
Spezza, Ott	9	21	30
Neal, Pgh	17	12	29
Franzen, Det	14	15	29
Vanek, Buf	14	15	29
Malkin, Pgh	11	18	29
Selanne, Ana	9	20	29
Kopitar, LA	10	18	28
Hartnell, Pha	15	12	27
M.Koivu, Minn	7	20	27
Seguin, Bos	13	13	26
Smyth, Edm	12	14	26
Karlsson, Ott	2	24	26
Michalek, Ott	19	6	25
Gaborik, NYR	15	10	25
Vrbata, Phx	14	11	25
B.Richards, NYR	11	14	25
Elias, NJ	10	15	25
Filppula, Det	10	15	25
Jagr, Pha	10	15	25
Ra.Whitney, Phx	10	15	25
Plekanec, MtI	6	19	25
E.Kane, Wpg	15	9	24
Perry, Ana	12	12	24
Skinner, Car	12	12	24
Tavares, NYI	10	14	24
Briere, Pha	9	15	24
Benn, Dal	7	17	24
J.Thornton, SJ	5	19	24
Parenteau, NYI	4	20	24
B.Campbell, Fla	2	22	24
Moulson, NYI	15	8	23
Lucic, Bos	10	13	23
Parise, NJ	10	13	23
Last night's games not includ	ed		

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	P/
New England	10	3	0	.769	396	27
N.Y. Jets	8	5	0	.615	327	27
Buffalo	5	8	0	.385	288	34:
Miami	4	9	0	.308	256	24
SOUTH						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	P/
y-Houston	10	3	0	.769	330	20
Tennessee	7	6	0	.538	266	25
Jacksonville	4	9	0	.308	193	25
Indianapolis	0	13	0	.000	184	382
NORTH						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	P/
Baltimore	10	3	0	.769	320	20
Pittsburgh	10	3	0	.769	282	19
Cincinnati	7	6	0	.538	285	27
Cleveland	4	9	0	.308	178	25
WEST						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	P/
Denver	8	5	0	.615	269	30
Oakland	7	6	0	.538	290	35
San Diego	6	7	0	.462	324	29
Kansas City	5	8	0	.385	173	30

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	7	6	0	.538	324	349
Dallas	7	6	0	.538	317	281
Philadelphia	5	8	0	.385	297	292
Washington	4	9	0	.308	229	290
SOUTH						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
x-New Orleans	10	3	0	.769	415	286
Atlanta	8	5	0	.615	300	267
Carolina	4	9	0	.308	313	355
Tampa Bay	4	9	0	.308	232	370
NORTH						
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA
y-Green Bay	13	0	0	1.000	466	278
Detroit	8	5	0	.615	367	305

WEST						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-San Francisco	10	3	0	.769	307	182
Seattle	6	7	0	.462	246	259
Arizona	6	7	0	.462	253	288
St. Louis	2	11	0	.154	153	326
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WEEK 15

All times Eastern

Chicago Minnesota

ville at Atlanta, 8:20 p.m. Saturday's game Dallas at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday's games
New Orleans at Minnesota, 1 p.m. Seattle at Chicago, 1 p.m. Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1 p.m. Carolina at Houston, 1 p.m. Green Bay at Kansas City, 1 p.m. Tennessee at Indianapolis, 1 p.m. Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m. Washington at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m. Detroit at Oakland, 4:05 p.m. New England at Denver, 4:15 p.m. Cleveland at Arizona, 4:15 p.m. N.Y. Jets at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m Baltimore at San Diego, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's game Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 8:30 p.m.

GOLF

DUBAI LADIES MASTERS

At Dubai, United Arab Emirates

First Round Lotta Wahlin Becky Brewerton

Minea Blomqvist	34-34-68
Julieta Granada	33-35-68
Stacy Lee Bregman	35-33-68
Linda Wessberg	34-34-68
Jaclyn Sweeney	33-36-69
Lee-Anne Pace	35-34-69
Elizabeth Bennett	32-37-69
Christel Boeljon	33-36-69
Tandi Cuningham	32-37-69
Julie Maisongrosse	33-36-69
Diana Luna	32-37-69
Maria Verchenova	34-35-69
Beth Allen	33-36-69
Liebelei Lawrence	37-33-70
Margherita Rigon	35-35-70
Becky Morgan	37-33-70
Sophie Giquel-Bettan	35-35-70
Stacey Keating	35-35-70
Alexis Thompson	35-35-70
Alison Walshe	33-37-70
Karen Lunn	35-35-70
Charlie Douglass	32-38-70
Elisabeth Esterl	36-34-70
Cassandra Kirkland	34-36-70
Caroline Afonso	36-34-70
Caroline Westrup	34-36-70
Lynnette Brooky	36-35-71
Carlota Ciganda	34-37-71
Kaisa Ruuttila	36-35-71
Louise Larsson	37-34-71
Sara Brown	34-37-71
Sophie Gustafson	34-37-71
Rachel Jennings	37-34-71
Also	
Michelle Wie	27 24 72

Michelle Wie Laura Davies Anna Nordavist

FIFA CLUB WORLD CUP

At Toyota, Japan SEMIFINAL

SOCCER

Santos (Brazil) 3 Kashiwa Reysol (Japan) 1

FIFTH PLACE Monterrey (Mexico) 3 Esperance (Tunisia) 2

EUROPA LEAGUE

Yesterday's results

Group D

FC Zurich (Switzerland) 2 Vaslui (Romania) 0 Lazio (Italy) 2 Sporting Lisbon (Portugal) 0

Besiktas (Turkey) 3 Stoke City (England) 1 Dynamo Kyiv (Ukr.) 3 Maccabi Tel Aviv (Isr.) 3

Paris St-Germain (Fra.) 4 Athletic Bilbao (Spn.) 2

tria) 3

Maccabi Haifa (Israel) 0 Schalke (Germany) 3 Steaua Bucharest (Rom.) 3 AEK Larnaca (Cyp.) 1

Group K Fulham (England) 2 Odense (Denmark) 2 Wisla Krakow (Poland) 2 Twente (Neth.) 1 Group L

Anderlecht (Blg.) 5 Lokomotiv Moscow (Rus.) 3 Sturm Graz (Austria) 1 AEK Athens (Greece) 3

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with LHP Tsuyoshi Wada on a two-year contract. K.C. ROYALS—Released RHP Mario Santiago.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ARIZONA DIAMONDRACKS—Agreed to terms with RHP Takashi Saito on a 1-year contract.
COLORADO ROCKIES—Named Dave Hajek infield co-ordinator; Kevin Riggs hitting coach for Tulsa (Texas); Jon Stone hitting coach for Modesto (Cal); Mike Devereaux hitting coach for Asheville (SAL) and Drew Saylor hitting coach for Grand Junction (Pioneer). HOUSTON ASTROS—Acquired INF Jed Lowrie & RHP Kyle Weiland from Boston for RHP Mark Melancon Designated INF Brian Rixler for assignment MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with 3B Aramis Ramirez on a 3-year contract. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS-Agreed to terms with SS Rafael Furcal on a two-year contract.

BASKETBALL

DALLAS MAVERICKS—Signed G Jerome Randle. LOS ANGELES LAKERS—Signed F. Josh McRoberts to a two-year contract.
MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES—Signed C Marc Gasol. MIAMI HEAT—Waived G Cameron Jones.
MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Signed G J.J. Barea to a four-year contract.

FOOTBALL

FDMONTON FSKIMOS-Re-signed FR Mathieu Bertrand to a two-year contract.

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DALLAS COWBOYS-Placed QB Jon Kitna on injured reserve. Signed WR Dwayne Harris from the practice squad. Signed QB Chris Greisen to the practice squad.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed S Sterling Moore to practice squad.
HOUSTON TEXANS—Announced defensive
co-ordinator Wade Phillips took medical leave. SAN FRANCISCO 49FRS—Signed LR Michael

Wilhoite to the practice squad. Released RB Ian Johnson from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled G. Justin Peters from Charlotte (AHL). Reassigned G Mike Murphy to Charlotte. MONTREAL CANADIENS—Recalled RW

Michael Blunden from Hamilton (AHL).
NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled D Tim Erixon from Connecticut (AHL). TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Sent D Evan Oberg to Norfolk (AHL). Reassigned D Charles

Landry from Norfolk to Florida (ECHL). WINNIPEG JETS—Reassigned D Arturs Kulda to the St. John's (AHL).

SOCCER

PORTLAND TIMBERS—Named Mike Toshack

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Crossword

45 Met melody

49 Midday

50 Covers

53 Versifier

54 Plaything

Down

2 Rip

55 — and crafts

1 Detail, for short

3 Approximately

4 Taken advantage of

51 A Gershwin

47 Chances, for short

52 Fragrant oil source

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grees, maybe 9 Light purple shade 10 Time of your life?

11 Quarterback Roethlisberger 19 Spy novel org.

21 — Dhabi 23 When pigs fly 24 Rudely brief

25 Zeus' consort 26 Organization 27 Leak slowly

32 Use 33 Cry of acclamation

28 Agree

35 "Eureka!" 36 Cleo's slayer

38 Move on momentum

39 English homework, maybe 42 Lion's call

43 Туре 44 Tackles' teammates

45 Height for Heidi 46 Carnival city

48 Expert

➤ Yesterday's answer

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PUP

21 Whatever target it is you are aiming at, you will hit it with ease.

V Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You know instinctively that what someone is telling you is a lie. Just

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You'll get the opportunity to make a powerful friend today. Don't try to be modest about your talents. SALLY BROMPTON

Sudoku

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3			9	4			1
	1		2	3		6	
		6			9		
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		2			3		
	4		1	6		9	
9			5	2			7

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and

Yesterday's answer ▶

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Nice face! You're really sweet! That's all I really need to say. My social awkwardness may keep me from asking you out for a while, but you're just too darn pretty to worry about that. WEEKDAYGROWLERFILLER

Youmattie. You are a dream I do not wish to wake. But if I must wake, let me wake with a Kiss. TERENCE

My wonderful Prince Charming, you are my unique and true love! You are my endless love! You are my destiny! I believe that fate has brought us together til the end of time! You are a gift from heaven! and today is my b-day... am blessed and lucky to be loved by you! Thank you for loving me so much, for your support and in believing and trusting in me... I love vou so much.

C.L. FOREVER YOUR PRINCESS

TODAY Min -13° Max 0°

FRIDAY Min -1 🔼 Max 7° **SATURDAY** Min -8° 🔼 Max 1°

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Andrew Schultz. Meteorologist

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"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta". WEEKDAYS 5:30AM



Today's horoscope

T Aries March 21-April 20 So many things are going right for you now that it's like you have a guardian angel watching over you. **Taurus** April 21-May 21 An investment you made a long time

ago may pay off today.

II **Gemini** May 22-June 21 Make the effort to remind the people who mean the most to you how much you care for them.

Gancer June 22- July 22 Take care with your thoughts today, because what you focus on will very soon become your reality. Think only happy thoughts.

Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Cosmic activity in your fellow Fire sign of Sagittarius makes it easy for you to persuade friends and rivals to give you what you need.

W Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 If

you're not careful, you could find yourself swept away on a tide of other people's negative feelings. ← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You will say something outrageous today and you will be applauded for it. M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If someone says you need to prove your friendship by spending money, you're being take on ride.

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₹ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. turn your back and walk away.

This is a great day for reaching out to people you have not seen in a while. Renew those old friendships. H Pisces Feb. 19-March 20.





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